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1. Three T'aishan (115-18,23-58) village elders were arrested by the Communists on charges of organizing a meeting at which they deplored excessive taxation and local hardships and said they would welcome the return of the Nationalists.
2. Communist authorities in the T'aishan area require landowners to surrender their land titles and contracts. Then they divide the land equally among all residents and forbid further selling or renting of land.
3. The harvest is divided approximately as follows: 40 percent collected in taxes, 20 percent retained by the farmer, 20 percent sold to the government, and 20 percent sold on the market at prices set by the government.

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